

proposed partnering opportunity is expected to accelerate commercial availability of improved, lower-cost, hot gas desulfurization sorbents for fixed/moving bed and fluidized bed/transport reactors. The METC-developed TL sorbent is likely to have applications in other fields of use such as the chemical and petroleum industries.

**DATES:** Proposals require the participant to provide a description of the preferred partnering vehicle, and the scope of work that the participant is proposing to perform or supply. Qualifications of the participant or members of its development team for catalyst/sorbent manufacturing and marketing should be provided. Elaborate proposals are not necessary. It is recommended that the proposal not exceed 5 pages. Proposals received by July 31, 1996, will be evaluated for proper qualifications. Any or all proposals may be accepted or rejected as deemed to be in the best interest of the Government. With current budget uncertainties, government participation in the partnership may be limited.

The following criteria will be used to review the proposals and select the partner(s). Qualifications of the participant or members of its development team may address the criteria.

1. Working knowledge and access to manufacturing capability for catalyst carriers and matrix materials as represented by the variety of products produced, quantities of products sold per year, etc.

2. Proven success in marketing catalysts and/or sorbents in specified fields as represented by the size of the marketing/sales department, market share, etc.

3. Research and development capability for continued product improvement as represented by facilities, staff, equipment, etc.

**ADDRESSES:** Parties interested in this partnering opportunity are requested to submit a proposal by July 31, 1996, to: Dr. Rodney J. Anderson, Technology Transfer Program Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, Morgantown Energy Technology Center, P.O. Box 880, 3610 Collins Ferry Road, Morgantown, WV 26507-0880, Telephone: 304-285-4709. Additional information is available on METC's Internet Homepage at <http://www.metc.doe.gov> or by contacting Dr. Rodney J. Anderson at the above address or phone number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** METC has several facilities which might be used for sorbent testing and analysis. The METC test apparatus include a one-inch

diameter fixed bed reactor, a high-pressure 2-inch diameter fixed or fluidized bed reactor, and a transport reactor. The reactor systems include on-line analysis of sulfur-containing gases. In conjunction with the test facilities, an on-site gas chromatography laboratory can provide analyses of the reactor effluents. Possible solid sorbent analysis performed by METC or its contractors may include atomic absorption for metals, total sulfur via LECO analyzer, surface area, density, porosity, crush strength, and attrition resistance.

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*Director, Morgantown Energy Technology Center.*

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## **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

**[Docket No. RP96-274-000]**

### **Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

June 13, 1996.

Take notice that on June 11, 1996, Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation (DOMAC), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Second Revised Sheet No. 37, with a proposed effective date of July 1, 1996:

DOMAC states that it is filing this revised tariff sheet to (1) modify the ethane content specification to allow for an ethane content not to exceed 12%, (2) reduce the allowable nitrogen content, (3) change the hydrogen sulfide specification and (4) remove the maximum methane limitation in Section 2.11 of the General Terms and Conditions of DOMAC's Tariff. Such changes will permit DOMAC to sell LNG to be acquired from sources other than Algeria, including Abu Dhabi Gas Liquefaction Company Ltd. (ADGAS). DOMAC has requested a waiver to permit a July 1 effective date and allow for a July 10, 1996 loading date of an LNG cargo which may be acquired from ADGAS.

DOMAC states that the revisions to the quality specifications will not alter the interchangeability of vaporized LNG with pipeline gas and that LNG conforming to the revised specifications will remain consistent with the Operating Agreement entered into with Algonquin Gas Transmission Company and Commonwealth Gas Company. DOMAC notes that with additional sources of LNG, DOMAC will be better

able to provide normal LNG service to its LNG liquid customers throughout the summer and will be in a position to supplement cargoes of LNG from Algeria during the winter heating season.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, in accordance with Rules 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any persons wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this Petition are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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### **Notice of Issuance of Order; EnerConnect, Inc.**

June 13, 1996.

EnerConnect, Inc. (EnerConnect) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which EnerConnect will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. EnerConnect also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, EnerConnect requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by EnerConnect.

On June 10, 1996, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by EnerConnect should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).